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For: PURIFIED SUBFRAGMENT CODIFYING FOR NEUROAMINIDASE, RECOMBINANT

NEUROAMINIDASE AND ITS USE IN ZOOPROPHYLAXIS

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Examiner: M. Hill

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed January 9, 2008 (Paper No. 20080102), for which a response was due on February 9, 2008. February 9, 2008 falls on a weekend, thus the deadline is extended to February 11, 2008. Accordingly, the response is timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.